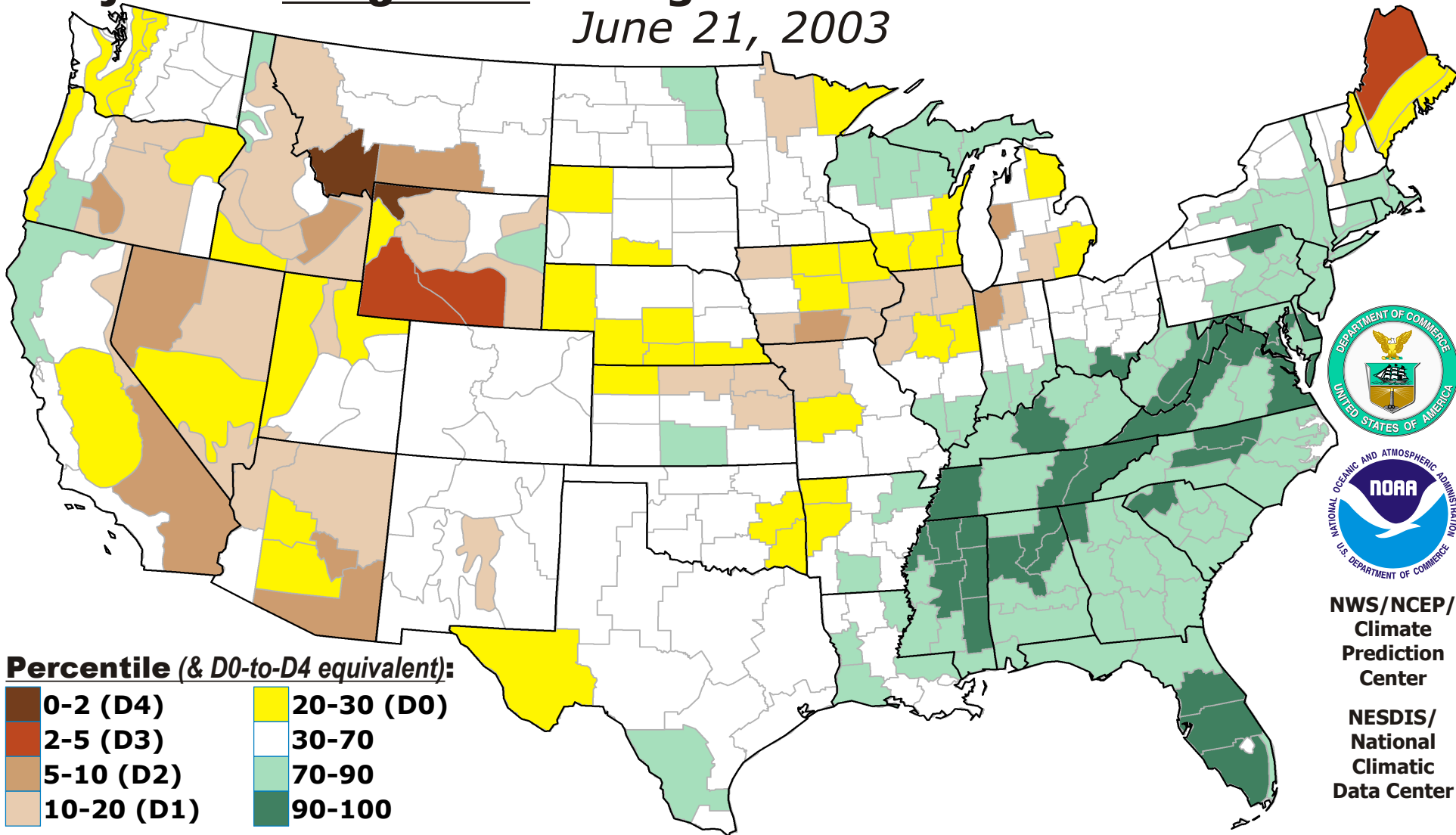


Objective Long-Term Drought Indicator Blend Percentiles

June 21, 2003



INPUTS (as Percentiles):

25% Palmer Hydrologic Index
20% 24-Month Precipitation
20% 12-Month Precipitation
15% 6-Month Precipitation
10% 60-Month Precipitation
10% CPC Soil Model

This map approximates impacts that respond to precipitation over several months to a few years, such as reservoir content, groundwater depth, and lake levels.

This map is based on preliminary climate division data. Local conditions and/or final data may differ. **The relationship between indicators and water supplies can vary markedly with location, season, source, and management practices.** Do not interpret this map too literally. See full product description for more details.